

CIA's Fault Named As Getting Caught

SENATOR Eugene J. McCarthy (D-Minn.) said yesterday he doesn't "altogether fault" the Central Intelligence Agency for supporting some of the organizations disclosed recently as recipients of the agency funds.

However, he added, in a luncheon address before the Women's National Press Club, meeting at the Willard Hotel, "they shouldn't have gotten caught doing it."

The Minnesota Democrat, who last year called for a study by Congress of the Agency's activities, said he is on the board of eight of the organizations disclosed as recipients of CIA funds.

Some of the organizations they supported, he said, could "better be supported by the government, openly".

REFERRING to the Channeling of CIA funds to the National Student Association, McCarthy said, "I'm not much for children's crusades. I'm not sure they should have been concerned with student activity abroad."

NSA, he continued, can handle its own problems. He recalled the association fought communism without any help from the CIA in earlier years and "they would have done well at international youth meetings without any help from the CIA."

The senator said he thinks the CIA is more responsive

to Congress and its committees under the leadership of CIA Director Richard Helms, than it used to be, and he doesn't see any problem in the president relations between the agency and the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

Senator McCarthy was introduced by WNPC President Eve Edstrom.